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Sir:

The enclosed Amendment is in response to the final Office Action dated November 17, 2005, for the above identified patent application. A Petition for a 1-month extension of time, and a Notice of Appeal are enclosed herewith.

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